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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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In accordance with applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, we are enclosing form PTO-1449 listing information that may be material to the patentability of this application.

We are also enclosing copies of the non-US references listed on the attached PTO-1449.

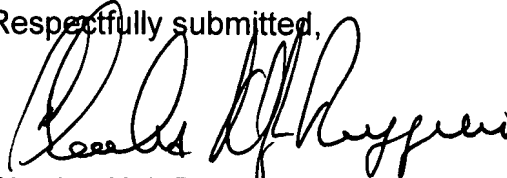
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Applicant respectfully requests favorable consideration and that this application be passed to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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## U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Translation	
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	DE 44 29 855 C1	August 17, 1995	GERMANY			X	

## OTHER DOCUMENTS (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


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